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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for controlling a washing machine, said washing machine having means for determining an open state or a closed state of a door of the washing machine, the method comprising steps of:

sensing a first wet laundry amount after initiating a wash cycle of a wash course;

sensing a second wet laundry amount upon detection of an open state of the door during a predetermined time period following the initiation of the wash cycle; and

controlling the wash course by dividing the wash cycle into three predetermined time intervals; based on:

wherein a first predetermined time interval is allocated for a step of resetting the wash cycle if the detection of the open state of the door;

a second predetermined time interval is allocated for a step of sensing a second wet laundry amount if the detection of the open state of the door, and a step of controlling the wash course based on the second wet laundry amount; and

a third predetermined time interval is allocated for a step of maintaining the wash course regardless of the detection of the open state of the door;

wherein the first predetermined time interval starts from an initiation of the wash cycle, the third predetermined time interval finishes at an end of the wash cycle, and the second predetermined interval is between the first predetermined time interval and the third predetermined time interval.

the first wet laundry amount if the open state of the door is not detected during the predetermined time period, or

the second wet laundry amount if the open state of the door is detected during the predetermined time period.

2. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said first wet laundry amount sensing step is performed periodically throughout the wash cycle.

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3. (Canceled)

- 4. (Canceled)
- 5. (Canceled)
- 6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising steps of: sensing a dry laundry amount before initiating the wash cycle; and supplying water to a tub according to the sensed dry laundry amount.